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Action: Approved

**MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH
PLANNING COMMISSION RESOLUTION NO. 24-29**

A RESOLUTION OF THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION RECOMMENDING APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING MSB 17.73 TO CLARIFY THAT MOBILE HOME PARKS ARE NOT PERMITTED IN THE MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH.

WHEREAS, Assembly Ordinance 24-053 repealed MSB 17.48 Mobile Home Parks in its entirety, thereby eliminating the permit process and public hearing requirements for proposed mobile home parks, but did not ban mobile home parks; and

WHEREAS, because of that repeal, mobile home parks constructed on foundations can now be built in Mat-Su without giving residents a chance to voice their concerns or provide input through a public hearing; and

WHEREAS, the intent of this ordinance is to prohibit the establishment of new mobile home parks in the Mat-Su unless and until the Assembly reinstates a permit process that includes a public hearing in front of the Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, Alaska's cold temperatures pose a challenge for mobile homes which typically have less insulation than permanent housing structures. This can lead to higher heating costs,

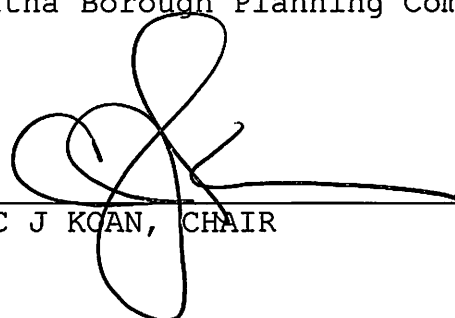
difficulty in maintaining a stable interior temperature, and vulnerability to freezing water lines; and

WHEREAS, mobile homes pose an increase risk to death in the event of a fire because they are typically constructed with highly flammable materials, are small and confined, and lack proper escape routes; and

WHEREAS, establishment of mobile home parks may lead to lower property values in surrounding areas.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission hereby recommends approval of Assembly Ordinance 24-096.

ADOPTED by the Matanuska-Susitna Borough Planning Commission this -- day of --, 2024.



C J KOAN, CHAIR

ATTEST



Lacie Olivieri
Planning Clerk



(SEAL)

YES: Koan, Shane, Allen, Scoggin, McCabe, Glenn

NO: None